



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 2418

Koichi ISHIGURO et al. : Docket No. 01416/OP551-PC-US

Serial No. 09/142,613 : Group Art Unit 1647

Filed April 19, 1999 : Examiner S. Turner

ANTI-PHOSPHORYLATED TAU PROTEIN :
ANTIBODIES AND METHODS FOR
DETECTING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE
WITH THE USE OF THE SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated May 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) An antibody obtained by using, as an immunogen, a partial peptide of phosphorylated tau protein in a paired helical filament, said phosphorylated tau protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID No. 1 and having a phosphorylation site at a serine residue at position 199 of SEQ ID No. 1, said partial peptide consisting of said serine residue at said phosphorylation site and a plurality of amino acid residues before and/or after said